

adopted an *Order* staying the provisions and effective date of §§ 20.18(a)-(c) inclusive of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 20.18(a)-(c), which would require wireless carriers to forward certain 911 calls to PSAPs, including calls from TTY devices. The stay defers the effective date of those rules from October 1, 1997, to November 30, 1997, in order to permit the Commission to complete its review.

6. Pursuant to applicable procedures set forth in §§ 1.145(d) and 1.419 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 1.415(d), 1.419, interested parties may file comments on the issues raised in the Joint Letter no later than October 17, 1997. Reply comments may be filed no later than October 27, 1997. All relevant and timely comments will be considered by the Commission before final action is taken in this proceeding. To file formally in this proceeding, participants must file an original and five copies of all comments. If participants want each Commissioner to receive a personal copy of their comments, an original and nine copies must be filed. All comments should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, NW., Room 222, Washington, DC 20554, referencing CC Docket No. 94-102.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 20

Communications common carriers.
Federal Communications Commission.
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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 32

RIN 1018-AE18

1997-98 Refuge-Specific Hunting and Sport Fishing Regulations

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule adds additional national wildlife refuges to the list of areas open for hunting and/or sport fishing, along with pertinent refuge-specific regulations for such activities; and amends certain regulations on other refuges that pertain to migratory game bird hunting, upland game hunting, big game hunting and sport fishing. The Fish and Wildlife

Service (Service) provides notice of reopening of the comment period for only the specific proposal to hunt bison on the National Elk Refuge in Wyoming.

DATES: The public comment period closes November 17, 1997 to ensure consideration by the Service.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and materials concerning this proposal should be sent directly to Assistant Director, Refuges and Wildlife, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 670 ARLSQ, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen R. Vehrs, at the above address; Telephone (703) 358-2397.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Service had received a second request from the Fund for Animals to extend the comment period on the proposal to permit bison hunting on the National Elk Refuge. The original comment period was open for 30 days and then extended to September 19, 1997 (62 FR 38959 published July 21, 1997 and 62 FR 47372, Sept. 9, 1997) to accommodate a public review of a pending interagency bison herd management plan. Due to the need by the Service for additional time to complete their portion of the herd management plan and review information and comments from interested parties on this proposed action, the comment period is reopened for an additional 30 days. The herd management plan was signed on September 30, 1997. In addition to this reopening of comments, several other documents, such as a compatibility determination and a National Elk Refuge Hunt Plan Amendment needed to be finalized before a bison hunt would take place. Both documents were signed on October 1, 1997. All parties are invited to submit comments on the proposed bison hunt. Copies of the Hunt Plan Amendment and the compatibility determination are available from the Refuge Manager, National Elk Refuge, Box C, Jackson, Wyoming 83001.

Refuge hunting programs are reviewed annually to determine whether additional refuges should be added or whether individual refuge regulations governing existing programs should be modified, deleted or have additions made to them. Changing environmental conditions, State and Federal regulations, and other factors affecting wildlife populations and habitat may warrant modifications ensuring continued compatibility of hunting with the purposes for which individual refuges, and the National Wildlife Refuge System (System) were established.

Statutory Authority

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act (NWRSA) of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 668dd), and the Refuge Recreation Act of 1962 (16 U.S.C. 460k) govern the administration and public use of national wildlife refuges. Specifically, section 4(d)(1)(A) of the NWRSA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to permit the use of any area within the System for any purpose, including but not limited to, hunting, fishing and public recreation, accommodations and access, when he determines that uses are compatible with the major purpose(s) for which the area was established.

The Refuge Recreation Act (RRA) authorizes the Secretary to administer areas within the System for public recreation as an appropriate incidental or secondary use only to the extent that it is practicable and not inconsistent with the primary purpose(s) for which the areas were established. The NWRSA and the RRA also authorize the Secretary to issue regulations to carry out the purposes of the Acts and regulate uses.

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List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 32

Fishing, Hunting, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wildlife, Wildlife refuges.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Service amends Title 50, Chapter I, subchapter C of the *Code of Federal Regulations* as follows:

PART 32—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 32 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 16 U.S.C. 460k, 664, 668dd, and 715i.

2. Amend § 32.70 *Wyoming* by revising paragraph C. of National Elk Refuge to read as follows:

§ 32.70 Wyoming.

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National Elk Refuge
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C. Big Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt elk and bison on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

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Dated: October 3, 1997.

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